### Message

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**Sent**: 3/29/2016 6:59:00 PM

To: Swenson, Peter [swenson.peter@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Follow Up to 401(a)(2) Process Discussion

#### Peter -

It looks like that date won't work for Ralph, because of a vacation. I'm checking with him on potential other dates and will probably send out a Doodle poll or similar. Thanks.

## -Catherine

**From:** Swenson, Peter [mailto:swenson.peter@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2016 2:45 PM

**To:** Neuschler, Catherine (MPCA); ralph.j.augustin@usace.army.mil

Cc: Bruner, Douglas W MVP; Stollenwerk, Jeff (MPCA); Oknich, Jen (MPCA)

**Subject:** RE: Follow Up to 401(a)(2) Process Discussion

Thanks Catherine, we will check and get back to you. I'm going to be out for a few days starting tomorrow but should be able to let you know by Wed or Thursday next week.

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Subject: Follow Up to 401(a)(2) Process Discussion

# Ralph and Peter -

We had a good conversation about 401(a)(2) at the end of February. The MPCA is interested in having a follow up meeting that includes PolyMet, in order to ensure that everyone is on the same page with the issues we discussed in February.

We'd like to do this on April 12, between 10 and noon, to take advantage of regularly scheduled meetings with the company. If folks from EPA and the Corps would let me know 1) if you are willing to participate in such a meeting and 2) if that time will work for enough of you that need to participate from the federal agencies, I would appreciate it. I would be great to know by next week if this will work.

# Thanks!

~Catherine

----Original Appointment----

From: Neuschler, Catherine (MPCA)

Sent: Friday, February 12, 2016 9:28 AM

**To:** Neuschler, Catherine (MPCA); Stollenwerk, Jeff (MPCA); Oknich, Jen (MPCA); Swenson, Peter; ralph.j.augustin@usace.army.mil

Cc: Bruner, Douglas W MVP; Weaver, Kerryann; Melgin, Wendy; Schaller, Andrea; Wester, Barbara

Subject: 401(a)(2) Process Discussion

When: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 9:00 AM-10:00 AM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).

Where: Call: 1-888-742-5095; Code 466 562 7669

To discuss:

When is 401(a)(2) process triggered? How does EPA decide if a hearing should be held? Who holds the hearing; can it be combined with a state process? Who attends the hearing? Etc.